

**Minutes of Little Bealings Parish Council meeting held at Bealings Village Hall at
7.15pm on Monday 3 February 2020**

Present: Mr I Ransome (Chairman), Mr M Garnham, Ms D Head, Mr D Hunter, Dr C Hopkins and Mrs M Wilson

In attendance: Mrs C Ramsden, Clerk to the Council

Also present: District Councillor Colin Hedgley

1 Apologies, Declarations of Interest and Dispensation Requests

Apologies were received from Ms Saagi, who was away. It was **RESOLVED:**

- to accept the apologies for absence.

There were no declarations of interest or requests for dispensations.

2 Public Participation Session

No members of the public were present.

3 Planning

3.1 Previous Planning Applications Update

3.1.1 ENF/2019/0303/USE – The Chestnuts, Martlesham Road

ESC had advised that it was now investigating the alleged use of the property and had served an Enforcement Notice, which required information to be supplied within 21 days. The Council had received copies of anonymous correspondence sent to ESC. District Councillor Hedgley was thanked for his assistance in the matter and, at his request, it was **RESOLVED:**

- To send Councillor Hedgley a copy of the anonymous letter to ESC received by the Council dated 28 January 2020

3.1.2 SCC/0071/19SC Erection of a noise attenuation fence with associated recontouring along northern boundary bund at Kesgrave Quarry Sinks Pit

SCC had advised that it still was working with the applicant and SCC Waste in respect of an alternative bund height/arrangement that would benefit local residents as much as possible.

3.2 ESC Planning Forum on 24 January 2020

The Chairman had circulated notes of his attendance at this event, and slides provided by ESC had been circulated. It was noted that, with effect from 1 April 2020, ESC would only be supplying planning application consultations to Parish Councils by email, although it would still supply plans for large applications on request. It was understood that some 60 parishes in the district still dealt with planning applications by paper. It was especially useful for residents who wished to attend Council meetings to see the plans and for Councillors to be able to view plans at meetings. It was noted that, as there was no wi-fi at the Village Hall, an alternative could be to download applications on to the Council laptop prior to meetings. However, this would be time consuming and required a projector and perhaps a screen to be able to share them effectively in the meeting. It was **RESOLVED:**

- to ask Great Bealings Parish Council for its thoughts on the matter, given that it also used the Village Hall Committee Room for its meetings

- to ask the Village Hall Management Committee to consider providing facilities to enable plans to be displayed – ie wi-fi and a screen for HDMI connection display

3.3 DC/20/0139/FUL: Pipits Hill - Proposed two storey side extension and reconfiguration of adjoining areas to existing dwelling, incorporating a hip to front elevation of the extension

It was **RESOLVED**:

- that there was no objection to this application.

4 Finance

4.1 Bank Statement/Cheque Book Reconciliation for the Third Quarter

The bank statement for December still had not yet been received to enable the reconciliation to be carried out.

4.2 Revision to the Budget for 2020/21

It was **RESOLVED**:

- To amend the previously approved budget to accommodate the Council's subsequent decisions in respect of donations to SAVID and the Fynn Lark News, to reflect the actual figures for the 2019 election charge and vat in 2019, and to allow for training and work to comply with website 'Ease of Access' Regulations

4.3 Authorisation of Expenditure

The webmaster had attended training in respect of the changes needed to the website for compliance with 'Ease of Access' and had prepared details of the work involved. A proposed fixed price cost of £250, based on an hourly rate of £5 was proposed. It was **RESOLVED**:

- to ask the webmaster to carry out the necessary work for a fixed fee of £250

4.4 Income Received

It was noted that a vat claim for £53.51 had been submitted for the year 2019, but the income had not yet been received.

5 Arrangements for the Annual Parish Meeting on 2 March

It was noted that Stop! had regretfully declined the application to attend the meeting, due to a high number of commitments. However, it was **RESOLVED**:

- that, in view of the statement from SCC that it would not be continuing to propose an Ipswich Northern Bypass, the invitation should be repeated, in case more time was now available

Dr Hopkins proposed a Vote of Thanks to the Chairman for the fast and efficient way in which the Council had responded to the proposed Ipswich Northern Bypass, which had shown the Council to be dealing with the matter very effectively from the outset. This was supported by the Councillors.

6 Date of Next Meeting

The next meeting of the Council would be on 24 February 2020. There being no further business to discuss the meeting closed at 7.40pm.